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For a complete local government directory, please visit my website at www.in.gov/S29.

773-1282 571-2401

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Town Meeting Round-Up

I would like to thank everyone who recently joined me at one of our five town meetings. I enjoyed speaking with you and listening to the concerns and suggestions shared at the meetings. Crime, transportation, illegal immigration and quality of life were just a few of the issues shared.

Town meetings are a great way for me to gather information on issues that are directly affecting the Hoosiers living in District 29, and I assure you I am dedicated to serving the needs of our district.

Many of the problems that were brought to me can be resolved at the local level of government. That is why I am including a "refrigerator guide" that includes many local phone numbers that you can use as a resource. If you cannot find something listed here, a more comprehensive directory will be posted on my web site at www.in.gov/s29.

Regards,

Mike Deff





Sen. Delph took Winnie Hightower on a tour of the Statehouse. Delph learned at his Wayne township townhall meeting that Hightower had never been invited down to the capitol for a tour, so he personally took her on a tour, including the Lt. Governor's office.

The Statehouse is opened for tours daily. To schedule a tour, call 317-233-5293, or send a request to Captours@idoa.state.in.us

New BMV Location

In September, a new BMV branch will open in our Senate District at 10 South Mickley, replacing the 16th Street branch in Indianapolis.

The new 5,000 square-foot facility will feature 16 terminals, which will provide faster services to the citizens in the area.

The new site is 3.2 miles from the current location, is easily accessible off of Interstate 465, and is near a city bus stop.

E-mail Newsletter

Sign up today for my e-newsletter by sending an email to S29@in.gov or by visiting my web site at www.in.gov/S29.

Job Creation Legislation Proves Successful

— More jobs for Hoosiers are on the way —

Ithough the last two legislative sessions have been filled with substantial changes to the way Indiana does business, a priority in the Senate has been job creation. Our state is beginning to see results just one year after the major economic development laws of 2005 were implemented.

In 2005, the General Assembly sped up and streamlined the creation of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC), created tax breaks for research and development, passed a shovel-ready site development plan and expanded existing tax credits. The result: 85,000 more Hoosiers are working than in January 2005 and unemployment is at a low 4.9 percent.

More jobs are on the way. Recent job announcements include:

- Honda announcing a \$550 million plant that will employ 2,000 people in Greensburg (the plant will have capacity for 4,000 employees)
- American Commercial Lines agreeing to create 1,100 jobs in Jeffersonville

- Federal Express announcing a \$200 million expansion creating 800 new iobs in Indianapolis
- Rolls Royce committing to bring 600 aerospace jobs to Indianapolis
- Pfizer deciding to create 450 jobs in Terre Haute
- American General Financial Services expanding its corporate headquarters to create 150 new jobs in Evansville
- Arbonne International opening a 400employee distribution center in Greenwood.
- Nestle selecting Anderson for a 300job facility
- Sallie Mae announcing 700 new jobs in Muncie

Many other announcements have occurred in the past 18 months, many more are expected in the future, and I am committed to continuing to create a job-friendly environment here in Indiana.

BUILDING AN IMAGINATION LIBRARY

Enriching the Lives of Hoosier Children Through Reading

Countless studies have shown how important reading is to our children and for their academic futures. Young children whose parents interact with them verbally and read to them develop greater vocabularies and perform better in school. I encourage anyone with a young child to sign up for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

The program allows every child under the age of five who live in Hancock, Hendricks and Marion counties to build a library of their own, at no cost. They will receive a new hardcover book each month, sent directly to their home, thanks to the United Way of Central Indiana. All parents have to do is read the new books with their

children and watch their imaginations and vocabularies grow.

Registration forms can be mailed to your home by dialing 211 or by signing up online at www.successby6indy.org. This program is a great opportunity to enrich

Related Link:

the lives of Hoosier children.

www.imaginationlibrary.com

2006 Legislative Interim

Senators Keep Working in Summer

Delph appointed to interim study committee

For more information, visit

www.in.gov/legislative/interim

n early July, Senate President Pro Tempore Robert D. Garton (R-Columbus) appointed me to the Interim Study Committee on Government Administration and Regulatory Matters

Legislators form commissions, study committees and advisory boards to examine issues

in detail and to give more focused attention to particular issues not addressed during the legislative session

The Interim Study Committee on Government Administration and Regulatory Matters is charged with monitoring and reporting on the impact of the privatization of non-health related services performed or administered by

state agencies. In addition, the committee will research license branch operations and eminent domain issues.

The committee has held two meetings with two additional meetings scheduled for September.

I am honored to work alongside my col-

leagues in the Senate and House of Representatives, producing innovative ideas that will help

lead this committee forward. As legislators, we serve as the voice of the citizens we represent, with the ultimate goal of creating future legislation that will serve the best interests of all Hoosiers.



Sen. Delph is pictured with his family after receiving an award for Legislator of the Year. The Disabled American Veterans presented Delph with its Indiana Legislator of the Year Award for 2006 in recognition of his hard work and support for veterans' issues.

Alternative Energy Fuels Indiana's Economy

Indiana is leading the nation in biofuels

The General Assembly has passed several alternative fuel incentives in recent legislative sessions that have placed Indiana at the top of the biofuels industry.

Ethanol and biodiesel burn cleaner, reduce the state's dependence on foreign sources of energy and increase economic opportunities for our state.

Ethanol and biodiesel production have a very positive impact on Indiana farmers. Indiana is the fifth largest state for corn production and fourth largest in soybeans. These are the two key dynamics associated with ethanol/biodiesel production.

Currently, Indiana sends almost 50 percent of corn and soybean production out of state with no value added, which is the least profitable form of sale for farmers.

It is estimated that farmers contracting with ethanol or biodiesel plants will gain an

incremental 15 cents to 20 cents per bushel.

Indiana has 15 ethanol plants announced or under construction, which will produce 840 million gallons of ethanol.

The new ethanol and biodiesel plants will put an estimated \$17.5 million into Hoosier farmers' pockets while investing more than \$1.27 billion in capital expenses.

Indiana also boasts dozens of new fueling stations. There are more than 50 biodiesel pumps and 40 E-85 pumps across the state.

With this amazing progress in such a short time, I am very encouraged that these proposals can take us even further.

I am very proud that Indiana is a national leader in alternative fuels.

